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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Years ago my family switched to our local LMI internet provider from Comcast. We are so happy with our choice. The service provided from LMI is so much superior than what Comcast gave us. We have never had a problem with internet service with LMI, and the customer service provided by LMI is far superior to Comcast.

We switched to LMI because we were so sick of paying for cable we didn't want, sick of service interruptions and the poor response from Comcast. Now with LMI we have fiber cable, not DSL. We love having a local provider where an actual human who works just down the street picks up the phone when we call. The rates are so much better than Comcast. Because our family does not watch a lot of network or cable TV, LMI offered us the opportunity to cut our cable (and our bill by more than 75%) With Comcast we would be stuck paying almost \$100 a month for cable we didn't want and never used because the only way to get their service is through these sort of bundled packages. With LMI we have a land line and internet service for a reasonable price and we don't have to pay for unwatched cable channels.

Please do not kill broadband competition. Please don't put local people out of work. Please don't force families like mine to pay for cable TV that we don't want. Please don't make our only "choice" a national conglomerate who limits our real choices while forcing us to pay for hundreds of cable channel "choices" we don't want. Give us a REAL CHOICE. Let us keep our local community broadband service.

Thank you,

Jana Vourgourakis